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CRICKET.

C.R.C. v. KOWLOON.

This league match was played on the C.R.C. Ground at Causeway Bay and resulted in an overwhelming victory for the visitors, who are greatly superior to their opponents in every department of the game. The Chinese won the toss and put in their visitors, who started none too well, having 4 wickets down for 24 runs. However, Joseland, Claxton and Robinson (who was caught twice off no balls) mastered the bowling and gave the Causeway Bay side some leather-hunting. Forcing the pace, Claxton hit six fours and three sixes, while Robinson had eight fours and one six in his not-out score of 70. Kowloon closed with 5 wickets down for 198 at 3.45, leaving their opponents plenty of time to get the runs. On going to the wickets, however, none of the home side could make any show, and Ng Sze Kwong, who was misssed before he had opened his account, was top-scorer with 13. Scores:—

KOWLOON.

F. Wheeler, b Yew Man Tsun	1
J. Stalker, c Kwok Shui Jan, b Yew Man Tsun	19
L. J. Blackburn, c Yew Man Tsun, b Un Hew Fan	1
R. E. Lindell, c and b Un Hew Fan	0
A. A. Claxton, not out	50
F. E. Joseland, c Kwok Shui Jan, b Yew Man Tsun	46
J. P. Robinson, not out	70
Extras	5

Total (for 5 wickets) 198

L. E. S. Hodge, P. H. Cobb, A. de Sousa, and R. Pestonji did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Un Hew Fan	14	2	76	3
Yew Man Tsun	11	1	53	3
Ho Wing Kin	3	0	22	0
Ng Sze Kwong	4	0	42	0

C.R.C.

Ng Sze Yuen, c Blackburn, b Stalker	7
Ho Wing Kin, run out	12
Un Hew Fan, c Claxton, b Stalker	0
Ng Sze Kwong, b Cobb	13
Ger Lee, b Cobb	7
Yew Man Tsun, run out	2
H. Ching, b Cobb	0
Kwok Shui Jan, b Cobb	1
Wei Le San, b Stalker	0
Wong Po Keung, not out	0
A. Hew, b Stalker	0
Extras	0

Total 48

Bowling Analysis.

P. H. Cobb	11	2	25	4
J. Stalker	10.2	2	17	4

ROYAL ENGINEERS v. CRAIGENGOWER.

This league match, played on the Craigengower Ground at Happy Valley, ended in a win for the Engineers by 38 runs. Batting first, the Engineers lost Spr. Gordon and Corp. Adams when the score-sheet was blank. Grimmett dismissed both batsmen in the first over, missing down Reakes, then joined McGregor, and the score steadily rose until McGregor, who had contributed a useful 19, was attemped, in an endeavour to scratch a risky run. Lucas then partnered Reakes, and helped to swell the total to 64, before the latter was clean bowled by Graham. Lucas settled down to the game and was playing a careful innings, placing the ball well and frequently indulging in vigorous driving. He made 31 runs—top score for the day—before he had the misfortune to be given out l.b.w. to Graham. The last six wickets of the Engineers' team were able to add 33 runs, the innings closing for 105. Graham was in excellent form, but Grimmett with 5 wickets for 38 runs had the better average. Craigengower started well, Bass and Norrie obtaining ten runs off Cripwell's first over. When twenty had been reached, however, Bass was caught by Pascall of Cripwell, who later effected the dismissal of Norrie for 13. A sorry spectacle followed the dissolution of this partnership, nine wickets only realising 16 runs. The whole side was out for 47 runs, and towards this "Mr. Extras" contributed 11. Cripwell was in great form with the ball, dismissing seven of the homesters for 22 runs. To him, it may be said, the R.E. owed their victory. The bowlers were backed up by a good field, who never let anything pass. Indeed, the Sappers can give points in this department of the game to most of the civilian teams. Scores:—

R.E.

Spr. Gordon, c Norrie, b Grimmett	0
Cpl. Adams, b Grimmett	0
C.Q.M.S. Reakes, b Graham	11
Loc. Cpl. Lucas, l.b.w., b Graham	31
Spr. Pascall, b Grimmett	5
Staff-Sergt. Cripwell, c and b Grimmett	6
Cpl. Charters, c Norrie, b Grimmett	3
Staff Sgt. White, c and b Graham	8
Cpl. Heath, b Graham	3
Spr. Townsend, not out	8
Extras	11

Total 105

Bowling Analysis.

Graham	17	1	49	4
Grimmett	14	1	36	5
Abbas	3	1	8	0

CRAIGENGOWER v. C.

R. Bass, c Pascall, b Cripwell	7
J. D. Norrie, c Adams, b Cripwell	13
W. Grimmett, b Cripwell	0
L. A. Reakes, b Cripwell	1
M. H. Abbas, b Cripwell	0
W. Graham, not out	6
F. Rapp, run out	1
F. S. Thompson, b Cripwell	2
C. Sara, b Cripwell	0
S. Jex, l.b.w., b Cripwell	1
D. K. Kharas, b Reakes	5
Extras	11

Total 47

Bowling Analysis.

Reakes	9	2	14	2
Cripwell	9	0	22	7

MIDDLESEX v. R.G.A.

This league match was played on the Military Ground at Happy Valley and was a one-man show so far as the Gunners. Only Tebbutt made any sort of show against Baker and Athorne, who were both in fine bowling form, and the whole Middlesex side were disposed of for 53 runs. Athorne took 4 wickets for 3 runs each, and Baker 5 at the same cost. Batting for the Gunners, Dix and Drummond passed their opponents score before they were separated. The Middlesex are weak in every department of the game. The crowd removing from one football match to another rather interfered with the game at one stage. Scores:—

MIDDLESEX.

Loc. Cpl. Butterworth, c and b Athorne	1
Loc. Cpl. Tebbutt, b Athorne	21
Pte. Purnell, c Dix, b Boocock	5
Pte. Grove, b Athorne	9
Pte. Mills, b Baker	2
Pte. Smith, c Dix, b Baker	2
Pte. Woodward, b Baker	0
Pte. Cpl. Thompson, not out	2
Loc. Cpl. Hacker, b Baker	0
Loc. Cpl. Anderson, b Athorne	2
Extras	7

Total 52

Bowling Analysis.

Athorne	12	2	12	4
Boocock	7	0	18	1
Baker	5	1	15	0

R.G.A.

Br. Dix, c Woodward, b Tebbutt	24
Br. Athorne, l.b.w., b Purnell	1
Br. Drummond, not out	29
Gr. Perkins, c Butterworth	0
Br. Maun, not out	11
Extras	0

Total (for 4 wickets) 65

Bowling Analysis.

Lt. Baker, C.S.M. Ross, Gr. Sharman, Gr. Baines, Gr. Boocock, and Br. Armatus did not bat.	
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THE LEAGUE TABLE.

Kowloon defeated the C.R.C. in convincing style on Saturday and thus improved their position at the top of the table. They are very strong both in batting and bowling, and are considered by many to be favourites for the top position at the finish. Robinson, with 70 (not out), had the best league score of the day, and was closely followed by Claxton, who gave a fine exhibition of big hitting. For the Engineers against Craigengower Cripwell, with the ball, practically won the match for his side. The Sappers, who have played 10 matches, have improved a lot lately and will probably rise considerably in the table. The R.G.A. obtained two points at the expense of the Middlesex Regiment, who are not by any means a convincing side. Saturday was a bowler's day and Cripwell, Reakes, Cobb, Stalker and Baker all had good averages. Though made in a friendly game, Dixon's score of 96 deserves special mention, as it was a very pretty and masterly exhibition.	
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P. W. L. D. Pts.	
Kowloon	0 5 2 2 17
University	8 4 2 2 14
Civil Service	7 3 0 4 13
Hongkong	6 4 1 1 13
Craigengower	7 4 3 0 12
R. E.	10 3 5 2 11
R.G.A.	8 2 4 2 8
C.R.C.	7 2 4 1 7
Middlesex	7 2 6 0 6
Navy	5 1 4 0 3

HONGKONG v. UNIVERSITY.

An all-day friendly match was played on the Club Ground between these teams, and resulted in a win for the University. Scoring on both sides was low. Pearce, Marley and Brayshaw were all in form with the ball. The University batted first and only Redmond made a score, his total being 32. The University "tail" was again very pronounced, and Pearce took most of the wickets very cheaply. The Club had a strong batting side and looked likely to put up a big total, but the wickets just suited Brayshaw and Marley, who succeeded in getting them all out for 22, thus enabling their side to win by 16 runs. Scores:—

THE UNIVERSITY.

R. A. Ponsoby-Fane, c Murray, b Syme Thompson	0
F. A. Redmond, b Pearce	32
G. E. Marley, b Gray	13
K. Brayshaw, c Jacks, b Pearce	13
J. D. Wright, c Evans, b Pearce	10
A. H. Rumbahn, c Marley, b Pearce	4
W. Gittens, c and b Pearce	0
G. Hall, not out	12
J. M. Jack, c Jacks, b Gray	0
D. K. Samy, b Pearce	0
Cheah Toon Lock, b Pearce	4
Extras	17

Total 110

Bowling Analysis.

Syme Thompson	5	0	18	1
Gray	12	0	50	2
Pearce	6	0	31	7

HONGKONG CLUB.

T. E. Pearce, c Wright, b Marley	15
Capt. E. H. Gray, c Redmond, b Brayshaw	12
Lieut. H. E. Murray, b Brayshaw	7
M. M. Maas, run out	10
Major Mayhew, b Brayshaw	1
Lieut. J. K. McConnell, b Brayshaw	3
F. Syme Thompson, c Redmond, b Marley	2
F. W. Evans, c Ponsoby-Fane, b Brayshaw	24
H. E. Hollands, c Jack, b Marley	0
Dr. G. E. Aubrey, not out	7
P. Jacks, c Samy, b Marley	2
Extras	3

Total 92

Bowling Analysis.

Brayshaw	14	1	46	5
Marley	13.3	2	43	4

CIVIL SERVICE v. NAVY.

This friendly match was played on the Civil Service Ground and was a one-man show so far as the Civil Service were concerned. Dixon, both with bat and ball, gave a splendid exhibition of cricket. In his score of 96 (not out) he gave a masterly display of cutting, getting many fours through numerous slips and driving hard along the ground. To-day was the close of the innings when he found that no one could stay with him at the wickets, he hit out and drove Hack and Henley to the boundary with the greatest of ease. Hack bowled well and had every other batsman except Dixon in difficulties. Hack and Robinson made a stand for the Navy, and with Hamilton off form, looked like making enough runs to win, when a change of bowling got Robinson out, and thereafter, Dixon took four wickets in rapid succession, his average being 5 for 47. Scores:—

CIVIL SERVICE.

W. Dixon, not out	96
E. W. Hamilton, c Robinson, b Hack	5
C. W. M. Reynolds, b Hack	2
P. T. Lambie, c Staley, b Hack	12
J. C. Fletcher, b Hack	1
W. H. Edmonds, c Wild, b Henley	0
F. Ling, b Henley	3
W. J. Woolley, b Henley	8
J. E. Watt, st. Moriarty, b Henley	3
S. Alderman, b Hack	0
G. E. Roylance, c Carey, b Rogers	4
Extras	0

Total 134

Bowling Analysis.

Rodgers	10	2	27	2
Hack	16	3	65	5
Henley	6	0	42	3

NAVY.

F. W. Carey, b Dixon	2
Sig. Hack, c Reynolds, b Hamilton	37
Sto. Rodgers, b Dixon	43
A. P. Robinson, b Fletcher	2
A. F. Wild, b Dixon	2
A. E. Henley, b Dixon	19
L. Bernard, not out	12
Pte. Brealin, b Dixon	6
Extras	6

Total (for 7 wickets) 141

Bowling Analysis.

Hamilton	10	2	39	1
Dixon	8	0	47	5
Ling	3	0	16	0
Fletcher	3	0	19	1
Reynolds	2	0	13	0

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

H.K.D.C. 2; MIDDLESEX REGT., 1.

This game was played on the Club Ground in the above league on Saturday. The inclusion of Lieut. Sayer considerably strengthened the Middlesex attack, and for some time it looked as though the soldiers would claim the two points. Play opened evenly, the first goal coming when Irvine skimmed the upright with a first-class shot, which just went outside. A throw-in stopped a couple of determined Corps attacks, and offside upset several movements of the Corps forwards, but none very deadly, and then their goal was a very narrow escape. Sayer took the leather out on the left wing, from where he put in a beautiful centre. Jarvis got his head to it, and all but scored, the ball striking the cross bar and passing outside. Walden was again prominent, and the interval arrived with no goals scored, and the Middlesex attacking determinedly.

Immediately on resuming the Defence Corps made a rush for the Infantrymen's goal, and McFavish gave Irvine an opening, but the latter could not quite get to the ball. Shortly afterwards Watts put in a nice shot from well out and opened the scoring for the Middlesex. The Club fought hard after this to save the game. McFavish put in a good one, which was well saved. A foul outside the Club penalty area brought no good to the soldiers. Their backs were sacking well and having plenty of work to do. McFavish was responsible for the equalizer with a shot that looked as if it could have been saved. A foul near the Middlesex goal was dangerous, but nothing serious happened then. Soon, however, Wood was given possession on the right wing. He passed in front of goal and the goalkeeper reached the ball, but was slow in clearing, and Gerard bundled the ball into the net, thus securing the winning goal. Result:—H.K.D.C. 2; Middlesex Regt., 1.

Teams:—H.K.D.C.—Goldenberg, Cave and McCubbin; Chassels, Stewart and Rodger; Wood, Gerrard, Irvine, McTavish and Railton.

Middlesex Regt.—Turner; Fisher and Fewthrop; Allen, Fawcett and Fossey; Serroton, Jarvis, Sayer, Watts and Walden.

Referee—Mr. Wright.

DIVISION II.

R.E. RESERVES, 4; ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, 1.

The Engineers had the best of the game in this 2nd division match on the Club Ground, although St. Joseph's opened the scoring. Omar obtaining the goal. Baker and Osborne managed one each for the Sappers before the interval, the score then being 2-1 in favour of the R.E. A few minutes after resuming play, Osborne put in a wonderful shot which beat the goalkeeper all the way. Omar had a chance with only the custodian to beat, but shot straight at him and then Baker rushed through his second goal, putting the Engineers practically out of danger. The civilians had very hard luck on two occasions, but they were always the weaker team. A penalty awarded the Engineers came to nothing, for Gordon took the kick and missed. Shortly before the final whistle sounded, the College men got right through again, but the finishing effort was a very poor shot, which went nowhere near the goal. Result:—Royal Engineer Reserve, 4; St. Joseph's College, 1.

Referee—Mr. Dickenson.

STAFF AND DEPARTMENTS, 3; KOWLOON, 2.

This match was played on Saturday on the Navy Ground, Happy Valley. The Staff and Departments fielded a heavier team and won by three goals to two, after a fairly even game. Both teams missed several chances of scoring, either by erratic shooting from long-range or by fiddling with the ball opposite the goal. The Staff drew first blood, after ten minutes' play, Taylor sending in a hot shot, which beat Jennings, the Kowloon custodian. A fine passing movement on the part of the Staff forwards resulted in the ball being again sent into the net. The Kowloon team then put on a spirit, and some pretty footwork by their forwards ended in Pasco sending the ball between the uprights. In the second half Kowloon took the initiative, and Pasco put his team level. A third goal by Pasco was given offside, and the game looked like ending in a draw when Connor scored the winning goal for the Staff. Kowloon tried hard to draw level but failed.

TENNIS.

LADIES' INTER-CLUB MATCH.

The third annual Inter-Club match for the Ladies' Tennis Shield, presented by the Ladies' Recreation Club, was played at the L.R.C. on Saturday on a rather heavy and damp ground.

Mrs. Athol Anderson and Miss Ventris lost to Mrs. Sandeman and Mrs. Beckwith 4-6
beat Mrs. Dreaper and Mrs. Robinson 6-4
beat Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Nisbet 6-5
beat Mrs. Klut and Mrs. Soeters 6-3
Mrs. Hancock and Miss Wilkinson beat Mrs. Sandeman and Mrs. Beckwith 6-2
lost to Mrs. Dreaper and Mrs. Robinson 2-6
lost to Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Nisbet 5-6
beat Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Soeters 6-4

LADIES' RECREATION CLUB.
Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Nisbet beat Mrs. Sandeman and Mrs. Beckwith 6-1
beat Mrs. Dreaper and Miss Robinson 6-5
beat Mrs. Hancock and Miss Wilkinson 6-2
lost to Mrs. Anderson and Miss Ventris 5-6
Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Soeters lost to Mrs. Sandeman and Mrs. Beckwith 1-6
lost to Mrs. Dreaper and Miss Robinson 4-6
lost to Mrs. Hancock and Miss Wilkinson 4-6
lost to Mrs. Anderson and Miss Ventris 3-6

L.R.C.
Mrs. Sandeman and Mrs. Beckwith beat Mrs. Hancock and Miss Wilkinson 3-6
beat Mrs. Anderson and Miss Ventris 6-4
lost to Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Nisbet 1-6
beat Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Soeters 6-1
Mrs. Dreaper and Miss Robinson beat Mrs. Hancock and Miss Wilkinson 6-2
lost to Mrs. Anderson and Miss Ventris 4-6
lost to Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Nisbet 2-6
beat Mrs. Kent and Mrs. Soeters 6-5

Peak Club
2nd, L.R.C. 38 38
3rd, U.S.R.C. 34 38
LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN SINGLES.
Mrs. Kent (L.R.C.) beat Mrs. Lindell (U.S.R.C.)
Mrs. Bell (L.R.C.) beat Miss Mitchell (Taikeo)
Miss Wilkinson (L.R.C.) beat Mrs. Beckwith (U.S.R.C.)
Mrs. Digby (L.R.C.) beat Miss Abing (C.R.C.)

In the semifinals, Miss Kent meets Mrs. Bell on Monday, the 17th. Miss Wilkinson meets Mrs. Digby on Wednesday, the 19th.

BILLIARDS.

SOLDIERS' CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The last two games of the first round of this tournament were played on Friday night. In the first game Sergt. Leach had very bad luck and eventually lost by nine points. Sergt. Bliss put up a good game against such a formidable opponent as Sergt. Pitt, the latter including among his breaks a well played 53, which so far is the highest of the tournament scores:—

H.K.D.C. (SERGTS.)	H.K. POLICE AND WARDENS AND R.N.Y.P.
Sergt. Leach..... 241	Sergt. Grimmett 250
Sergt. Bliss..... 177	Sergt. Pitt..... 250

Total score...1,142

Total score...1,496

The second round will commence this evening, when the A' Co. H.K.D.C. meet the 3 and 4 Platoons of the Police Reserve.

HONGKONG MAGISTRACY.

THEFT OF A SINGLET.

A Chinese pleaded guilty to stealing a woolen singlet from Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, on Friday.
Inspector Gordon said that defendant was seen to extract the singlet from a broken case containing singlets and hide it underneath his jacket. On counting the number of singlets in the broken case it was found that over thirty were missing.
Mr. J. R. Wood sentenced defendant to six weeks' hard labour.

AN EXCITING CHASE.

A Chinese pleaded guilty to stealing a bar of lead from Shaukiwan.
It was stated that defendant, seeing the bar of lead in the yard of a workshop in Shaukiwan picked it up and was going off with it when a workman gave the alarm. Defendant was pursued and, in his efforts to escape capture, he plunged into the harbor, but on regaining terra firma he was secured and marched off to the Police Station.
Mr. J. R. Wood sentenced defendant to six weeks' hard labour.

ALLEGED THEFT OF BRASS.

A marine hawker was charged with stealing 200 lbs. of brass, valued at \$100, from a steamer in harbour.
Defendant stated that he purchased the brass from a person whom he had never seen before.
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Mr. George Ogleby, shipwright, claim formed part of some fittings which had been removed and left on the jetty. Mr. J. R. Wood remanded the case till Tuesday, bail being fixed at \$500.

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REDEMPTION OF DRAWN BONDS.

THE Redemption of 8% Military Bonds drawn at the Third Drawing amounting to \$1,700,000 will commence on 10th December, 1917. The Repayment will be made in SILVER.

THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

Peking, 20th November, 1917.

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REDEMPTION OF BONDS DRAWN AT THIRD DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the public that at the 3rd Drawing for Redemption of the 8 per cent. Military Bonds held on 2nd October, 1917, Bonds to the value of \$1,700,000.00 have been drawn, which amount constitutes about one-fifth of the Bonds recognised by this Ministry. A List of Drawn Bonds is published in the *Government Gazette* and other newspapers.

Repayment of Bonds sold in Singapore, Batavia and the Philippine Islands will be made by the Branch Offices of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at these places. THE BANK OF CHINA, Shanghai, will transfer funds for Repayment of Bonds sold through the Batavia, Soer Po Sar. In Cuba, Repayment will be made by the Changsha Guild upon surrender of the Bonds to the Bank of China, Shanghai. In Yokohama by the CHINESE CONSULATE-GENERAL; in Kiangsi by the KIANGSI BANK; in Fokien by the BANK OF CHINA; in Peking by the BANK OF CHINA. Besides the above cases, Repayment of Drawn Bonds will generally be made by the BANK OF CHINA, Shanghai.

Drawn Bonds when presented must be accompanied by all remaining Coupons, as all such Bonds are not entitled to any further interest after the payment of 11th Coupon. If all remaining Coupons (beginning with the 12th Coupon) are not presented together with the Drawn Bonds, then the total amount represented by these Coupons shall be deducted from the repayable principal.

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[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH.

NO PEACE WITHOUT VICTORY.

LONDON, December 14th.

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking at a dinner to the Heads of the Air Service at Gray's Inn, after emphasising the importance of the operations of the Air Service as a determining factor in the war, referred to Lord Lansdowne's letter and said he now understood that Lord Lansdowne had not intended in the least to convey the meaning his words might reasonably bear, and only intended to say exactly the same thing as President Wilson had said in a recent speech. The whole of the British nation fully agreed with that speech and he therefore concluded that the interpretation placed upon Lord Lansdowne's letter by the Allies and by our enemies in no way represented what Lord Lansdowne intended.

NO HALF-WAY HOUSE.

Mr. Lloyd George next referred to the very active minority of people who thought mistakenly that they had found a leader in Lord Lansdowne. "I warned the Nation to watch the man who thinks there is a half-way house between victory and defeat. No such house exists. These are the men who think you can end the war now by some sort of what they call peace by setting up a league of nations," with attendant conditions. "That is the right policy after victory but without victory it would be a farce."

FAIR IN THE SETTING OF TRAGEDY.

To end the war we entered upon in order to enforce a Treaty, without reparation for the infringement of that Treaty which was treated as a scrap of paper, merely by entering into a new and a more sweeping and more comprehensive Treaty, would be a farce in the setting of tragedy. We must take care not to be misled by mere words—league of nations, disarmament, arbitration, security—they are all great and blessed phrases but without the vitalising force of victory they are nothing but words. You cannot wage war or secure peace or cover deceit for long with words. There is nothing so fatal to character as half-finished tasks.

A WORD TO THE WAR WEARY.

After referring in burning terms to the attitude of men who opposed the war from the start, Mr. Lloyd George said it was a mean attitude but it was, at least, a definite and clear line of action, but he could not comprehend the man who was seized with indignation at German outrages and helped to commit the Nation to a career of honour and now, before the task was nearly accomplished, wished to shake hands with the malefactor and trade with him to mutual advantage. The enemy was simply being invited to enter into a bargain to join with you in punching the head of the next man who dared to imitate his villainies. The enemy desired such peace terms. It was idle to talk of security being won by such feeble means.

THE ALTERNATIVES.

Let there be no doubt regarding the alternatives with which we are confronted. One is to make easy terms with a triumphant outlaw, which means abasing ourselves before lawlessness. It means ultimately a world intimidated by successful bandits. The other is to go through with the task, vindicating justice so as to establish a righteous and everlasting peace for ourselves and our children. No nation with any regard for self-respect and honour can hesitate a moment in its choice.

LATER.

PEACE OVERTURES A BETRAYAL.

Intensely as he realised that victory was an essential condition of a free world, there would not merely be no object in prolonging war, but it would be infamous to do so if they thought things would get no better the longer they fought. It was because he was firmly convinced that, despite some untoward events and discouraging appearances, we were making steady progress towards our goal of 1914 that he would regard peace overtures at present as a betrayal of the great trust therewith he and his colleagues were charged. Much of the progress we are making might not be visible except to those whose business it is to search out the facts.

A BRIDGE INTO A NEW WORLD.

The deadly grip of the British Navy was having its effect and the valour of our troops was making an impression which in the end would tell. We were laying purely the foundation of a bridge

which, when complete, would carry us into a new world. The river for the moment is in spate, some of the scaffolding has been carried away, much of the progress we made seems submerged and hidden, and some men say, "Let us abandon the enterprise altogether; it is too costly; it is impracticable to achieve. Let us rather build a pontoon bridge of new treaties, a League of Nations and understandings." It might last some time, but it would always be shaky and uncertain. It would not bear much strain and would not carry heavy traffic. The first flood would sweep it away. Let us get along with the pile driving and make a real, solid, permanent structure.

A SERIOUS ADDITION TO OUR TASK.

Mr. Lloyd George warned the people against undue elation over victories and despondency over setbacks. They were the same persons in both cases. This was not the most propitious hour. Russia's threatened retirement would strengthen Hohenzollernism and weaken the forces of democracy, but the action would not lead to universal peace. It would simply prolong the world's agony. The withdrawal of over one-third of the enemy strength from the Eastern front, owing to Russia's intention, meant the release of hundreds of thousands of troops and masses of material to attack Great Britain, France, and Italy. It was a serious addition to our task, which was already formidable enough. It would be folly to underestimate the danger and equally foolish to exaggerate it, but the greatest folly of all would be for them not to face it.

AMERICA'S MOMENTOUS WAR ENTRANCE.

The most momentous fact of the year had been the entry of the American Democracy into the struggle against military Autocracy. It transposed the whole situation. Britain, with only a third of the population of Russia, had been for the last two years a more formidable military obstacle than Russia to Germany, but there was no more powerful country in the world than America, who was stepping into Russia's place. She was not yet prepared, but would soon be, hence the Austro-German desperate efforts to force an issue before she was ready. They won't succeed, but the collapse of Russia and the temporary defeat of Italy undoubtedly cast upon us a heavier share of the burden pending America's readiness.

NO TIME TO COWER AND FALTER.

We must, therefore, be prepared for greater efforts and sacrifices. It is not a time to cower and falter, but to place our feet firmer than ever on the ground, and square our shoulders to bear the increased weight. Britain's will was as tempered steel. There was no sign of break therein, and, although pressure might and would increase, he never doubted it would bear it all right to the end.

CALL FOR FURTHER NATIONAL SACRIFICE.

We should have to call upon the nation for further sacrifice, but should only do so because it was absolutely necessary. Now there must be a further drain upon the man-power in order to sustain, until the American Army arrives, the additional burden. We must have enough men to defend the lines held for three years, and defend them against all comers, from any enemy front, and must also have an army to manoeuvre, and which would enable us to appear with least delay at any point in emergency in any part of the colossal battlefield. There was no ground for panic. Even after sending troops to Italy's assistance the Allies have marked numerical superiority in France and Flanders, and we have considerable reserves at home. Much greater progress has been made in man-power, especially during the last few months than is realised, but it would be necessary to increase the trained reserves in order to face the new contingencies without anxiety. The Cabinet was prepared with recommendations not only for raising more men, but also for conducting a searching investigation into the best methods of husbanding the existing man-power so as to reduce the terrible wastage of the war. Provision of men for armies is not the most urgent part of the problem.

TONNAGE MEANS VICTORY.

Men were especially needed in Great Britain to help solve the tonnage problems. Victory was now a question of tonnage, and tonnage was victory. Nothing else could defeat us now, but a shortage of tonnage. The advent of the United States into the war had enormously increased the demand. Germany had gambled on America's failure to transport colossal numbers of men and supplies to Europe. The Prussian War Lords had promised their own people and their Allies that these formidable masses would never find their way into the battle line.

Mr. Lloyd George foreshadowed a further drawing of men from unessential war trades and occupations in order to increase the shipbuilding requirements. He urged the further saving of tonnage not only in economising consumption, but

home production. This year we had increased the home food production by two to three million tons and we had been the only belligerents who had increased the food output during the war. It was essential that we have another three million tons of food imports in 1918. He appealed to agriculturists to fall in with the plans accordingly. The Government would do its best in finding provision, labour and machinery, and the nation could help in another way, namely, by discouraging grouches. Grouching undermined morale and the national morale was vital in a question of holding out. Peace propaganda was fed with grumblers. Let us beware of playing these propagandists' games.

We had challenged a sinister Power, which is menacing the world with enslavement, and it would have been better if we had never issued the challenge unless we meant to carry it through. A challenged Power which was not overthrown, always became stronger for the challenge. People who think they can begin a new era, while Prussian military peace and power remained unbeaten were labouring under a strange delusion. (Loud cheers.)

NEWSPAPERS ACCLAIM SPEECH.

With the exception of the *Daily News*, which regrets that the Prime Minister failed to state a policy allied with gravity and definiteness demanded by the occasion, the newspapers acclaim Mr. Lloyd George's speech. *The Daily Telegraph* says it is an utterance for which all must be grateful who appreciate the meaning of a "just war." What Mr. Lloyd George asks is well within the country's powers, and he can reason upon the country's reply. *The Daily Graphic* says that Mr. Lloyd George has never spoken to better purpose, and the nation will ungrudgingly and enthusiastically give its support. *The Morning Post* says that Mr. Lloyd George reached the true and authentic note in British statesmanship in appealing to the spirit of old England.

The Daily Chronicle says the speech had the unusual quality of restrained, dispassionate firmness, and was decidedly appropriate to the present crisis. The emphasis on tonnage and food suggests that the Prime Minister does not intend to put everybody indiscriminately into knots. *The Times* says that the chief merit of the speech is the clearness and directness with which it keeps things that really matter before the people. Cunning and insidious efforts have been made to confuse their judgment and shake their faith. The Prime Minister waxes the poison gas aside and bids them fix their eyes on the stars which had guided them and their path through darkness.

The Daily Mail says the speech was such as British people in times like these deserve to expect from leaders. It had courage and faith, and flung a challenge full in the face of all doubters and waverers. We must either close the ranks now and fix our eyes on the central purpose for which we are fighting or history will say that at a supreme moment we faltered and broke down; and that is unthinkable.

EFFECTIVENESS OF THE BLOCKADE.

LONDON, December 15th. Mr. Ranciman, ex-President of the Board of Trade, speaking at Preston, said that when we made peace with Germany we would have to bring home to her that the Allies controlled the principal raw materials of the world. America could shut off cotton and wool; many could obtain only a little from Asia Minor. We could deprive her of three-fourths of the hides required for leather purposes and practically all the rubber which was now an essential part of nearly every manufacture. We are now doing all this by means of the Blockade, which was tightening and becoming more effective month by month, with inevitable results to German staple industries. Mr. Ranciman declared that it would be part of our policy, as declared by the Americans, to enforce the maintenance of peace by the control of raw materials. He deprecated the use of trade for political ends, but the maintenance of peace was worth every effort. Many accepted Mr. Wilson's plea for a "League of Nations," and they could comfort themselves with the thought that power to enforce such a League's decisions was within our limits, and lay mainly with the Allies.

LATEST CABLES.

AIR REPRISALS.

OUTPUT OF AEROPLANES INCREASED.

LONDON, December 15th. Lord Rothermere, speaking at the Lloyd George banquet, said:—We are wholeheartedly in favour of air reprisals to avenge the murder of innocent women and children. We shall strive for a complete and satisfying retaliation. Our output of machines has increased most satisfactorily. The present rate of progress it will not be long before the criticisms of the Air Ministry are silenced.

ALLIED NAVAL COUNCIL.

TO WATCH THE GENERAL CONDUCT OF NAVAL WAR.

LONDON, December 15th. It is officially announced that it has been decided to create an Allied Naval Council to ensure the closest touch and complete co-operation between the Allied Fleet, and the development of all scientific operations connected with the conduct of the war.

The Council will watch the general conduct of naval war and make necessary recommendations enabling the Government to make decisions. The individual responsibility of the Chiefs of Staff and Commander-in-Chief at sea towards their respective Governments as regards operations in hand and also as regards the tactical and strategical disposition of their forces remains unchanged. The Council will consist of the Ministers of the Navy of the United Kingdom, France, Italy, the United States, and Great Britain. As the Council will necessarily meet in Europe the Chiefs of Naval Staffs of the United States and Japan will be represented by Flag Officers. The Council will have a permanent Secretariat, who will collate all necessary information.

SERIOUS FIGHTING AT VLADIVOSTOK.

LONDON, December 15th. The *Times* Washington correspondent says that Mr. Secretary Lansing has received a telegram from the U.S.A. Consul at Vladivostok reporting that serious fighting has broken out among the Russian military factions, and urging the despatch of American troops. *The Times* Petrograd correspondent states that over one hundred and fifty British subjects, including women and children, are detained owing to the detention of certain Russians in Great Britain. They are now permitted to obtain passports.

JAPANESE OCCUPATION OF VLADIVOSTOK.

LONDON, December 15th. The *Daily Mail* states that the Foreign Office up to last night had not received confirmation of the reported Japanese occupation of Vladivostok. It was, however, described as conceivable that Japan, in order to protect the accumulation of Allied stores, may have decided upon such action.

ALLIES AND WAR PURCHASES.

LONDON, December 15th. It is officially announced that an inter-Allied Council on War Purchases has been unofficially established. The Council will sit alternately at London and Paris. Its primary object is the consideration of the needs of the Allies for purchases in the United States. The Council will indicate priorities, but the final decision in that connection will be made at Washington.

HONOURING THE OLD ARMY.

COMMEMORATION SERVICE.

LONDON, December 15th. A unique historic event was celebrated in London this afternoon, when a choral commemoration of "The First Seven Divisions" of the men of the Old British Army, who, at a great sacrifice and against tremendous odds, stemmed the German tide of 1914, was held at the Albert Hall. Their Majesties, the King and Queen, were present and also several hundred survivors of the Old Army, many of whom had been wounded. These men formed into a procession and marched to the Albert Hall from the Embankment after being entertained to luncheon by the Lord Mayor.

The whole of the music at the Commemoration service was by British composers. The centre piece was an ode dedicated to the First Seven Divisions, the Fallen, the Prisoners, the Disabled, and those still fighting. After the music, Mr. Balfour read a passage from Ecclesiastes beginning "Let us now praise the famous men."

Lord Derby read the order of the battle of the First Seven Divisions. The commemoration service was closed by the singing of the hymn "For all the Saints" and the sounding of the Reveille.

TURKEY AND PEACE.

LONDON, December 15th. The *Daily Mail* correspondent at Washington says he is reported that Mukhtar Bey, one of the Turkish delegates conferring at Berne with regard to the exchange of prisoners, has asked Constantinople for power to negotiate a separate peace.

MILKING PROCESS OF THE GERMAN ARMY.

LONDON, December 15th. Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, referring to the transfers of German troops from the Eastern front, points out, firstly, that the Germans have not been sending their best troops to the Eastern front for a long time; secondly, they have been freely milking the Eastern front for the Western front; thirdly, the morale of the soldiers on the Eastern front has probably not been unaffected by fraternisation and the absence of fighting. Hence it is questionable if the fighting value of the troops from the Eastern front is really so very high.

Continuing, the correspondent says:—I do not wish to minimise the situation which may arise from the Russian peace, but the confidence of our Army to deal successfully with the worst the Huns can do remains absolutely unimpaired. The enemy's small success at Polderhoek Chateau was due to the great concentration of their artillery against the shallow water-dug trenches.

AMALGAMATION OF BRITISH BANKS.

LONDON, December 15th. An arrangement has been made for the amalgamation of the National Provincial Bank of England and the Union of London and Smith's Bank, whose joint deposits aggregate one hundred and fifty millions sterling.

CONSCRIPTION DEMONSTRATION IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, December 15th. Three thousand women participated in an enthusiastic conscription demonstration in the Auditorium. Mr. Hughes, who was accorded a great reception, strongly appealed to the women to support the Government's proposals.

Mr. Wattlepeck opined that the result of the referendum depended upon New South Wales, particularly upon the vote of the metropolis.

GERMAN FLEET'S DISCRETION.

PARIS, December 15th. M. Leygues, the Minister of Marine, in a published statement says that Germany does not dare to challenge the Allied fleet. Each time her fleet came out the British severely chastised its temerity. M. Leygues opines that the German crews are not so good or enterprising as at the beginning of the war, and their munitions seem to be inferior. However, he would not draw too optimistic a conclusion from that.

GRAT BRITAIN'S COTTON SUPPLY.

LONDON, December 15th. A deputation of Members of the House of Commons, representing constituencies engaged in the cotton industry, headed by Mr. H. Nuttall, waited upon the Controller of Shipping, in whose unavoidable absence Sir Leo Chiozza Money acted as deputy.

Replying to the several views expressed, Sir Leo said that the War Cabinet instructed the Shipping Controller to maintain the rate of the cotton supply which was secured in 1917 as far as was achievable in view of the tonnage situation. Notwithstanding that one-half of our ships were engaged for war purposes and all the losses falling on the remaining half, the Ministry of Shipping contrived in 1917 to bring into the United Kingdom a quantity of cotton almost equal to that in the year preceding the war. The Trade would have had all it needed if it had not been for the great call for cotton for explosives. He could not make any promise regarding the importation for 1918 owing to the uncertainty of our shipping losses, but he hoped to be able to carry out the War Cabinet's wishes regarding cotton. The greater part of the cargo of the steamer *Red Bridge* was salvaged, and the cotton despatched to Liverpool by small craft. It was not true that the *Red Bridge* was sent from one port to another. The success of the Admiralty convey protecting scheme was magnificent, and it was hoped to further improve it.

AMERICA AND THE WAR.

LIGHTLESS NIGHTS FOR AMERICA.

WASHINGTON, December 15th. The Fuel Administration has decreed several lightless nights weekly for the purpose of not only saving coal but providing "startling visual evidence of the United States being engaged in the conduct of the greatest war-world."

The decree bars everywhere illuminated signs, advertisements, searchlights, and external ornamental illuminations, and also prohibits lights in the interior of stores, offices and other business places, when not open.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

LATEST CABLES.

BRITISH FRONT.

WE NEED ONE MILLION MEN.

Col. Repington in the *Times* says there are now 150 German Divisions on the Western front and 70 on the Eastern front, but the latter are denuded of all fighters between 18 and 35 years, who have been sent to the west. We must quickly take precautions to meet a blow, possibly in the winter or spring. We need a million men in order to maintain our existing forces in 1918.

LONDON, December 15th. Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters telegraphs to-day that quiet continues on the Cambrai front, although the dry, clear, cold weather favours active operations.

THE CAMBRAI INQUIRY.

LONDON, December 15th. The Cambrai inquiry is to be held at General Headquarters when Lord Derby will attend. The German Press is full of hints of an impending decisive blow which is being prepared on the Western front.

EARLIER CABLES.

PART OF A TRENCH REGAINED.

LONDON, December 15th. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We regained a considerable part of the trench which the enemy penetrated yesterday morning in the neighbourhood of Polderhoek Chateau. Hostile artillery is active to the east of Messines and north-east of Ypres.

LATER. There has been local fighting to the south-east of Polygon Wood, where before dawn the enemy attacked our positions in the neighbourhood of Polderhoek Chateau.

We repulsed the enemy, except at one point, where he entered a front trench on a front of about three hundred yards. Hostile artillery was very active in the afternoon east of Bullecourt, and there has been considerable reciprocal artillery firing between the Scarpe Valley and Gavrelle.

LATEST CABLES.

GENERAL LUDENDORFF'S SECRET REPORT.

The *Daily Chronicle's* correspondent with the French Armies, telegraphing on the 14th inst., says a secret report issued on October 4th by the Chief of the German General Staff, and signed by General Ludendorff himself, shows the alarming losses of the German artillery.

The report states that during the grand operations the average numbers of guns lost by a single German army in a single month either by wear, tear or by enemy fire were 870 field-guns and 585 heavy pieces. In other words, the arsenals and workshops are obliged to make or repair these pieces to the extent of three-quarters of the whole artillery establishment merely in order to maintain the existing strength. The report further testifies to the efficacy of the Allied counter-battery work. It says that of the average 1,445 guns put out of action 633 were lost by wear and tear and 800 by Allied bombardments.

General Ludendorff says:—The figures show that the enemy counter-fire, upon our artillery with very good results. It should be added that the loss of material is only one side of the artillery struggle, but that destruction of munitions, losses in killed, and the diminution in morale are elements at least as important."

BRITISH AIRSHIP LANDS NEAR UTRECHT.

AMSTERDAM, December 15th.

A British airship descended near Utrecht. The crew of five, who previously landed, will be interned.

H.K.D.C. CAMP CHURCH SERVICE.

BISHOP LANDER'S ADDRESS.

The Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Lander), assisted by Rev. W. T. Featherstone, held a service yesterday at a Church Parade of the Hongkong Defence Corps at Lowry, when there were present, among others, H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, O.M.G.), and Major Morgan (Administrative Commandant).

The following address was delivered by his Lordship:

May I speak briefly to you on three words:—Service, sacrifice, and spirit! This camp suggests all three. Our Nation has ever in theory honoured the idea of service. The highest subject of the King has for his motto "I serve," and we have ever signed our official letters "your obedient servant," but of recent times the idea has been obscured. We thought the aristocracy were not necessarily the best servants of the State, but those who had the biggest titles or whose grandparents had rendered the service. The popular adage does not suggest the service rendered by a Lord but his self-indulgence. We did not say "as active as a Lord" but "as drunk as a Lord." The aspiration of some was to be rich and idle, forgetting that the spirit is only found in duty. All that is now changing. If a man, in some form, has to right to derive benefit from the defence and service of others. Your camp here is a grand illustration of the duty and joy of service to the State, and through the State to the whole world. There is a solidarity of the race and every man is born in to it, not to dominate it but to serve it. It is to be returning from Japan was discussing the situation with a German lady, who said: "Why cannot England and Germany be allies? Then we would dominate the whole world." I replied that the British ideal was not to dominate, but to serve the world. We have taken Jerusalem not for ourselves but those who will use it. From whence did we derive this ideal of service? It is of which the war has given us a fresh vision! Not war but from the sublime carpenter of Nazareth, from Him, who though equal with God look upon Him the form of slave who came not to be served but to serve, who in that very Jerusalem washed his disciples' feet and who said: "If any man would be great let him be the servant of all." Universal Service for the benefit of the universe is a Christian ideal that we must keep before us.

Secondly, your camp suggests the word sacrifice. You are not here for fun. It is not a picnic, but to many of you it has meant considerable sacrifice. Your business may suffer by your absence; overtime must be put in afterwards, sport must be suspended. For all this the community owes you a debt of gratitude. If it is to do any good, it involves sacrifice. There has been a great deal of talk of the universe who were our popular heroes? Not the men who bought titles by big gifts to a political party and who lived in luxury and squandered or saved big fortunes.

Some may have tended to them but they never admired them. They really respected them. It was the men of the Fire Brigade and the Lifeboat crews who risked their lives to save others that were the popular heroes and when the war broke out it was the very best who volunteered for the Flying Corps and other most perilous branches of service. Punch exactly expressed when he represented the minesweepers saying it is because our work is so perilous that so many wives and mothers have become unwept. You despise a selfish man, not only the selfish creature who robs a girl of her priceless jewel of purity to satisfy his lust or who cheats at cards or who tempts others to drink to excess, but now we realise as never before that none of us live to himself and that self-denial in the use of every luxury and even the necessities of life is essential to all right thinking British people. From whence comes the ideal of sacrifice? I believe from the Father of us all. I have been finely said that "God is an act of eternal sacrifice and Christ the reproduction of that act in time." The time man, made in God's image, is after all God's Son and when once faced with realities, he begins to show marks of his parentage by denying himself. God is not a neuter potentate but "He who has loved us." He gave His son.

Yes, He Himself took our nature upon Him and was willing to suffer even the cross of shame. "He Emptied Himself." The war has in many cases proved the vindication of the cross of Christ, and of His teaching. Many a man has saved his life as he by sacrificing it for others. If we cannot go to the front we must at least sacrifice our time, our money and our pleasures for the cause for which others are sacrificing their all. There must be universal sacrifice as well as universal service.

The spirit of our service and sacrifice is all important. We are not fighting for mere territory, for wider fields of trade, or for any material advantage. Before the war we were too materialistic. "What is it pay?" was the first question. "What is he worth?" we asked when we meant not his character which is the only permanent asset but how much money has a man got. If the average Englishman thought of his future it was first largely a matter of being prosperous and comfortable. Now we realise that national honour is more valuable than material wealth. The war is spiritual. We are fighting because Right is more important than Might. Principle than Policy. Conscience than Convenience. Victory for any nation that has not learnt this lesson would be worse than defeat, because a worse materialism might ensue. No, we know that the all-important thing for any people is not even the strength of its Army or the efficiency of its Navy, but the spirit of its people, the spirit of righteousness and honour. It will profit nothing if a man or a nation gain the whole world and lose his or its own soul. England must lose her soul or the war with all its sacrifices will be in vain. We must come back to the Christ Himself.

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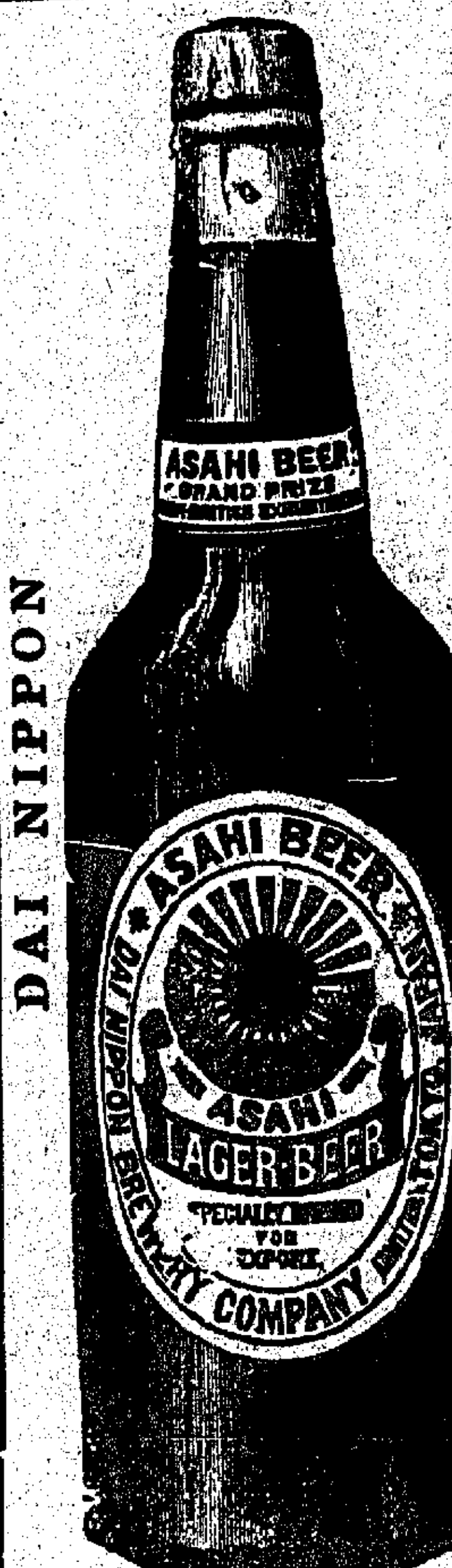
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THE WAR.

The following cables were received on Saturday night and issued in part early morning Extra yesterday.

France-Belgian Front.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BRITISH FRONT.

BOMB FIGHTING.

LONDON, December 14th.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We successfully attacked a post southward of Villers-Guislain this morning. The garrison were killed or captured.

There was bomb-fighting this afternoon eastward of Bullecourt in a portion of the trench into which the enemy penetrated on Wednesday. A few additional prisoners were taken.

The enemy's artillery showed some activity southward of the Scarpe and north-eastward of Ypres.

One aeroplane engaged the enemy during the attack at Bullecourt on Wednesday, and bombs were dropped and low reconnaissances were carried out. There was much fighting in the air. One "Gotha" and two other machines were brought down and three were driven down; all our machines returned.

BRITISH POSITION IMPROVED.

LATER.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—As a result of the bomb-fighting reported last night, we slightly improved our position eastward of Bullecourt.

The enemy raided a post to the south of Prouville, and a few men are missing.

GERMAN REPORT.

A wireless German official message states:—We beat back an attempt to recapture the trenches to the eastward of Bullecourt.

Our violent surprise mine firing caused heavy damage to the southward of St. Quentin.

FRENCH FRONT.

VIOLENT ARTILLERY ACTIONS.

PARIS, December 14th.

A communique states:—There were violent artillery actions in the regions of Maisons-de-Champagne, to the east of Suippes, and in Alsace.

Italian Front.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ITALIANS' FIRM RESISTANCE.

GERMANS ATTACK WITH DENSE MASSES OF TROOPS.

LONDON, December 14th.

An Italian official message says that firm resistance has compelled the enemy to suspend his infantry attack on Coleapelle and Nodella Barretta. Aeroplanes shelled his concentrated troops.

The enemy launched dense masses in an encircling movement against the salient Monte Solarolo. The infantry, aided by Italian and French batteries, repulsed the enemy, yielding only a short section of ground after inflicting immense losses.

GERMANS MAKING HUGE SACRIFICES.

BRITISH AND FRENCH TROOPS SAVE THE DAY.

LONDON, December 14th.

Reuter's Correspondent at Italian Headquarters reports:—It is estimated that 150,000 Austro-Germans have been lost since the beginning of the offensive in the Trentino. Nevertheless, the enemy, in renewing his desperate attempts to enter the plain, is employing whole divisions in each attack. These, after enormous sacrifices, generally succeed in conquering some outpost or advanced trench, only to find the position is dominated by the Italian guns.

Apparently Sotzendorff and von Bulow are determined to pass the Alpine bulwark before the severe winter sets in. The Italian scouts have ascertained that the enemy has concentrated 2,500 guns on less than ten miles of front between the Brenns and the Piave rivers. When all fire simultaneously the houses in Citta Della, Castel Franco and Treviso are shaken with the concussion. Judging by the present action the enemy has reverted to the original idea that entry to the plain is only possible by the capture of Grappa mountain range. Hitherto he has encountered resolute resistance, whole battalions of Italians allowing themselves to be destroyed in preference to yielding. Now that the British and French Allies are beside and behind the Italians, their intervention has saved the day, giving well-deserved rest and breathing space to the Italians, who have endured the unparalleled strain of five weeks unrelenting and unsheltered fighting.

Naval Activities.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SUBMARINE SHELLS MADEIRA.

MANY HOUSES DESTROYED.

LONDON, December 14th.

Yesterday evening a submarine bombarded Funchal, Madeira, for twenty minutes.

Many houses and the church of St. Clara were destroyed, and there were many casualties. Forty shells fell into the town. The submarine disappeared, pursued by patrol boats.

THE LATEST RAID ON TRIESTE.

ITALIAN TORPEDO-BOATS DARING FEAT.

ROME, December 14th.

Details of the raid on Trieste, made by Italian light craft on December 9th, show that two torpedo-boats, during the night, cut eight chains and removed the floating mines barring the entrance to the harbour, after which one torpedo-boat drew alongside the battleship *Wien* and the other alongside a cruiser.

Finding that the Austrian warships were not provided with nets, the torpedo-boats launched two torpedoes at each. The *Wien* sank in seven minutes. The damage to the cruiser has not been ascertained.

General.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE AIR RAID OVER ENGLAND.

TWO AEROPLANES BROUGHT DOWN.

LONDON, December 15th.

Two German aeroplanes were brought down in the raid on the 6th inst. They were forced to descend owing to damage from anti-aircraft guns.

HONOUR FOR GENERAL VAN DE VENTER.

LONDON, December 15th.

It is officially announced that General Van de Venter has been made a K.C.B.

EX-PRESIDENT OF PORTUGAL EXILED.

LONDON, December 14th.

A decree exiles ex-President Machado indefinitely.

ELECTIONS IN RUSSIA.

MAXIMALISTS CLAIM GREAT MAJORITIES.

LONDON, December 14th.

The Bolshevik Petrograd Telegraph Agency reports overwhelming pro-Maximalist majorities in the Constituent Assembly elections from the Twelfth and Fifteenth and the army in Finland.

THE OCCUPATION OF JERUSALEM.

THE CHIEF RABBI'S CONGRATULATIONS.

LONDON, December 14th.

The Chief Rabbi has written a letter to His Majesty the King, on behalf of the Jewish communities throughout the Empire, congratulating His Majesty upon the historic victories of the Army in the Holy Land.

The Chief Rabbi says "the occupation of Jerusalem, following so closely upon the epoch-making declaration by the Government on Palestine as a national home for the Jewish people, causes the hearts of millions of my brethren throughout the world to throb with the deepest gratitude to the Almighty; the House of Israel fervently prays for the complete and lasting success of your Majesty's forces everywhere."

His Majesty the King replied, expressing his deep appreciation of the congratulations.

The Chief Rabbi telegraphed General Allenby heartfelt congratulations.

The Chief Rabbi has arranged for special praise and thanksgiving on the taking of Jerusalem to be included in the Synagogue service to-morrow.

HIGH COURT IN INDIA.

LONDON, December 15th.

In the House of Commons, The Rt. Hon. W. Hayes Fisher, President of the Local Government Board, stated that a High Court would be established in the Punjab, after the war, as soon as financial considerations permitted. No recommendations had been received from the Raj regarding a High Court for Burma.

SCHEME FOR A UNIVERSITY.

The Raj had not yet submitted to the Secretary of State a detailed scheme for a university in Rangoon. The Government of Burma and the Raj were still discussing the matter and it was hoped that it might be possible to utilise the experience of the Commission which was enquiring into the Calcutta University.

INDIA SOLDIERS' PENSIONS.

The Secretary of State for India was considering the proposals for continuing the Indian soldiers' pensions to orphans who were not provided for.

RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

PETROGRAD, December 14th.

The Government delegate telegraphs that the Maximalist troops occupied Tamarovka and Kaluga, disarmed and arrested Korniloff's "shock" troops, and restored the Revolutionary authority.

The Commissioner of the Black Sea Fleet telegraphs asking for the immediate despatch of all Black Sea detachments with numerous machine-guns. He says the Military Cadets are attacking Rostoff with armoured cars.

The Bolshevik Government, while proclaiming the Cadets' demonstration at the Constituent Assembly on the 11th inst. as absurd, has taken the strongest measures to overawe the Cadets. It concentrated 8,000 Maximalist troops in the vicinity of Taurida Palace, which itself is swarming with troops, and prohibited the admission of members unless they have passes signed by the Maximalist Commissioners.

The Red Guards raided the Cadet Headquarters and the rooms of the Socialist leader, Tchernoff.

THE COMMISSIONERS' POWERS.

M. Trotsky announces that if the armistice is signed at Brest-Litovsk, the Commissioners will be empowered to enter into peace negotiations.

THE ARMISTICE.

LONDON, December 14th.

A German official statement announces that the Russian Delegation again arrived at Brest-Litovsk on the 12th inst. for a continuation of the armistice negotiations.

The next plenary sitting was fixed for the 13th inst.

PETROGRAD, December 14th.

General Krylenko telegraphs that General Tchernomoff refused to come and see him at Pskoff, and that he has removed him from command.

The Commissioner of the Fifth Army announces the arrival of General Krylenko at Dvinsk, and he adds that the Committee of the Fifth Army has undertaken to arrange an armistice on its front.

General Boldyreff, commander of the Army, has been dismissed and arrested. The Soviet at Moscow seized the works of the great Moscow newspaper *Kuznetsk*, *Slovo* for publishing rumours that Krylenko's seizure of the General Staff Headquarters was carried out on the insistence of German Headquarters.

RUSSIAN GENERAL COMMITTS SUICIDE.

PETROGRAD, December 14th.

The Secretary of the Maximalist Peace Delegation telegraphs from Brest-Litovsk that General Skalon committed suicide by shooting himself on the evening of the armistice conference with the Germans.

MAXIMALIST CLAIM.

PETROGRAD, December 14th.

The Maximalist News Agency states that General Korniloff's forces have been beaten by Red Guards and regular troops. General Korniloff fled.

ARREST OF COSSACK LEADERS.

PETROGRAD, December 14th.

The *Pravda* announces that the leading members of the Council of Cossack troops have been arrested in Petrograd.

RUSSIA AND HER DEBTS.

LONDON, December 14th.

During the past week there have been various statements in the Petrograd newspapers that the Lenin Government intends to repudiate the State debts. This story was first published in the newspaper *Pravda*.

Up to the present, there has been neither official confirmation nor denial.

REPORTED ARREST OF GENERAL KALEDIN.

PETROGRAD, December 15th.

The Bolshevik Telegraph Agency says that Rostoff, Nakhichevan and Taganrog are in the hands of Revolutionary troops and that General Kaledin, Pototsky and their staff have been arrested. General Kaledin asked the Major of Rostoff to come to Novolcherkosh to discuss the suspension of military operations.

SCRAPPY AND VAGUE REPORTS.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that the accounts from the south are so scrappy, vague, and contradictory that it is impossible to form a clear idea of the result of General Kaledin's Cossack rising.

The Bolsheviks now state that General Kaledin, Lukomsky, Denikin and Alexieff and M. Rodzianko, the President of the Duma, are in Novolcherkosh with sixteen thousand in entry. The reports regarding the situation at Rostoff are wholly contradictory.

KILLED IN ACTION.

MAJOR HAROLD GARNETT.

LONDON, December 14th.

Major Harold Garnett, the Lancashire cricketer, has been killed in action.

BYE-ELECTION.

LONDON, December 13th.

Lieutenant Colin Coote has been returned unopposed for Wisbech.

GREAT INCREASES IN BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, December 14th.

The increases in exports for November 1917 are £284,081 and in imports, £20,534,217, as compared with November last year.

RAW MATERIAL.

WARNING TO GERMANY.

LONDON, December 14th.

Sir Edward Carson stated in the House of Commons that during the period of reconstruction after the war, until the needs of ourselves and our Allies have been satisfied, Germany would not get an ounce of raw material from the British Empire.

AMERICA AND SILVER.

MAY FIX DOLLAR RATE.

WASHINGTON, December 15th.

A delegation of silver producers will confer, on Friday, on the Government's plan of contracting for one year's output.

It is thought that the cost of production may necessitate fixing the price of the dollar, of which the Treasury is reported to have tentatively approved.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, December 14th.

The silver market is quiet.

LATER.

The silver market is unchanged.

EFFECT OF SHANGHAI DEMAND.

LONDON, December 15th.

Messrs. Montagu's report states that the fall in the price of silver is due to a slight slackening in the demand from Shanghai, whose exchange is firm.

Yesterday's official rate of 4/3 is the highest in recent years, and approximates the point at which silver may be profitably shipped from San Francisco, but a United States Government licence would be necessary.

Pending definite details of projected purchases by the British and American Governments, the market is somewhat inert.

The Indian silver holding has decreased by 103 lakhs and gold increased by 62 lakhs.

LATER.

Silver is quoted 43½d. per ounce. There is a small demand, and the market is steady.

SEAMEN'S REMARKABLE GALLANTRY.

LONDON, December 15th.

The Albert Gold Medal has been awarded to Seaman Rath and the ordinary Albert Silver Medal to Seamen Knoulton and Abbott. A seaplane, while carrying out exercises, emerged from a cloud at high speed and struck the mast of a wireless station. The seaplane's engine was wedged in the lattice girders and the body of the aeroplane was sticking out at right angles. The pilot, who hung upon the plane, was unconscious 300 feet above ground. The three sailors climbed up inside the lattice girders in eight minutes. Rath crawled out to the plane and held the pilot, who was groaning and semi-delirious, until Knoulton and Abbott passed out a rope, by which the pilot was lowered to the ground. The gallantry of the seamen was accentuated by the fact that the mast was badly damaged. The wind caused the mast and the aeroplane to sway, threatening a crash to the earth every moment.

THE HALIFAX DISASTER.

SUSPECTED GERMAN SPY.

HALIFAX, December 14th.

John Johansen, helmsman of the Belgian relief ship *Tmo*, which collided with the munitions ship, has been detained on suspicion of being a German spy.

LATER.

Johansen was arrested while trying to leave the hospital where the physicians decided that he was shamming injury.

GERMANY'S PEACE OFFER.

AMSTERDAM, December 14th.

The German official explanation regarding Mr. Balfour's statement in the House of Commons on the 11th inst. says:—Germany received a communication through a neutral relating to Germany's war-aims. This communication was as couched as to warrant the belief that it was made with the knowledge of Great Britain. Germany was ready to answer the inquiry, and considered a direct verbal reply through a neutral the best course, but Germany's opponents did nothing to facilitate such direct reply. Mr. Balfour's statement was the first news received by Germany that the Allies were ready to receive a communication from Germany. No further steps have been taken by Germany.

INCOME-TAX: APPEAL DISMISSED.

LONDON, December 14th.

The Appeal Court has dismissed the appeal by the Income Tax Commissioners from a decision by Justice Atkin that Messrs. Bonstead & Co., were entitled to deduct the annual value of their branch premises in Singapore and Penang in fixing the profits of their business for Income Tax for 1912.

AMERICA'S NEW DESTROYERS.

It is now certain, according to statements published in New York (says the *Daily Telegraph's* correspondent), that all the American destroyers in building will be ready for delivery in European waters next spring, instead of in the winter of 1918, as expected, thus saving ten months. The first of the new destroyers, in which many radical changes have been introduced, have had their trial trips, and are said to have amazed observers. Mr. Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, and President Wilson are apparently in complete agreement regarding a great expansion policy for the American navy. American shipyards are reported to be actually building warships "faster than has ever yet been known in the history of naval construction anywhere."

DEUTSCHE BANK BRIBES. HOW BOLO GOT THE CASH. BERNSTORFF'S PART.

(FROM W. F. BULLOCK, NEW YORK.)

The Attorney-General of New York, Mr. Merton E. Lewis, has supplied the public with a dramatic sequel to the story he published concerning the activities of Bolo Pasha in a Frenchman who got his title from the ex-Khedive and is now in prison near Paris on a charge of treason. The sequel occupied seven columns of news paper print devoted to reproducing the testimony of German-born bankers and others who assisted the traitor in his endeavour to "sink without trace" in the French Press the millions provided for him by Count Bernstorff.

"I tell you Bolo is a sly fox, a very sly fox," is the verdict on his talents given by the dolt Pavenstedt, of the banking house of G. Amsinck & Co. It was Pavenstedt to whom Bolo went when he arrived in New York. He showed the German-born banker a copy of his contract with M. Humbert and suggested to him how important it was to have a secure control of all his money. The suggestion was not unheeded by a statement that he had heard from "a friend" in Switzerland that Germany was willing to go to any length to make a separate peace with France. He even outlined terms on which he declared Germany would settle with France—the cession of certain unspecified French Colonies to Germany in exchange for a part of Alsace-Lorraine and the evacuation of the occupied parts of Northern France.

THE MONEY ON 'M' LOST.

Pavenstedt informed the Attorney-General that he did not suppose Bolo had any authority from Germany for these terms, but his scheme to organize sentiment for peace in French newspapers on those lines so impressed the German banker that he hurried post haste to Washington to gain suit Bernstorff. "I must have the money," he said to Pavenstedt.

Bernstorff found what Pavenstedt had to tell him very interesting. The Ambassador declared that it would be of immense value if something effective could be done to change the tone of the French Press. He promised to think the matter over.

Pavenstedt returned to New York and acquainted Bolo with the fact that the German Ambassador was very much interested. Bolo merely remarked: "Well, let me know what he says when he comes to New York." A few days later Pavenstedt was summoned to an interview with Bernstorff in the Hotel Ritz-Carlton, New York. At the interview the Ambassador told him that he had decided to provide the money.

Messages were then exchanged with Berlin. The first wireless message from Sayville, sent by Hugo Schmidt, ran: "Communicate with the German Foreign Office and telegraph whether he has placed money in my disposal with you for Charles Gledhill." [code for Bernstorff].

BOLO'S DAZZLING STORIES.

The answer, received a week later, read:—

Replying to your cablegram about Charles Gledhill, Fred Hoover [code for Guarantee Trust Company] will receive money for account. You may dispose of it according to our letter of November 24th, 1914.—Direktion Deutsche Bank.

Other messages showed how the money was disposed of and how "sly" Bolo was. How unimpeachable his mission seemed was made apparent in the evidence given by officials of the Royal Bank of Canada whom the spy dangled with stories of the immense sum he was authorized to expend for the supply of paper for French newspapers in which he was interested.

Bolo gave a most plausible excuse for the transference of the funds at his disposal to the Royal Bank of Canada. He said it had come to his knowledge that G. Amsinck & Co., with whom he had hitherto dealt, had German sympathies. He, as a patriotic Frenchman, had consequently decided to transfer the entire account from them to the Canadian bank.

The story of how the German Government's gold was juggled from one bank to another until all traces of its origin were apparently obliterated is a fascinating one. The transactions were aided by Bolo's ingratiating smile and manners. Ever the Paris house of Morgans was completely hoodwinked, for they wrote to their New York house concerning Bolo: "We think it well perhaps to add, in view of the somewhat Oriental sound of this gentleman's name and title, he is not a Turk and, in fact, is the brother of a well-known French Archbishop."

This was followed by a telegram saying: "Bolo Pasha says remit to us by cable his balance. Although original agreement not kept, would be very pleased if you could allow some interest, possibly even 2 per cent in view of the connections of our client, which are of great importance to us."

How Bolo came to make the acquaintance of Mr. Hearst is explained by Mr. Hearst in a message from San Francisco in which he threatens the Attorney-General with proceedings for slander for his "unwarranted" implications. Mr. Hearst says:—

"I met Bolo Pasha merely as a French newspaper man and a reputed representative of the Paris Journal. He came to me and said: 'You use more print than any other man in the United States. Will you tell me where to get it best and cheapest? Print paper is almost unobtainable in Paris.'"

"I gave him all the information I could and that any newspaper man with any courtesy would naturally give to a visiting French journalist. Bolo Pasha seemed wholly loyal to his own land and I had no reason to suppose he was not very polite and appreciative, like all well-mannered Frenchmen, and I invited him to a dinner which I gave to a number of ladies and gentlemen in the public dining-room at Sherry's. Conversation on the war was general and trivial, as it is at all such social dinners. That is all I have ever known, seen, or heard of Bolo Pasha."—Daily Mail.

SCRAPPING IN SHELL-HOLES. BATTLE STORIES FROM THE WEST FRONT.

YOUNG REGIMENTS FIGHT WELL.

"I got my blighty up by Ypres," said a wounded Midlander with a scrapped up shoulder. "The Germans were holding a line of shell-holes, between some big concrete machine gun emplacements, and we simply could not get at them because of the cross-fire from two of the 'pill-boxes.' It looked as if we were in for a regular hold-up. We had to take cover in shell-holes, half-way across between the lines, and whenever we made any attempt to leave them, the machine-guns had us on the grid. We got through, though. The commanders of the platoons on either flank sized up what was happening, and rushed the emplacements. One of those Platoon Commanders was very hot stuff. He got right up to a loophole in the emplacement, held a bomb in his hand till the fuse was nearly burnt out, and then passed it in to the 'Boches' inside. That stopped the machine-guns all right, and we were able to get a move on."

"The Fritz in the shell-holes came out to meet us. They were Bavaria's, and I will say they put up a pretty good fight. It's not the Prussians who are doing the 'Knappe' hardest work. They're almost a washout now. It's people like the Bavarians and Wurttembergers, who are shoved in to the corners. They stood waiting for us with the bayonets, holding their rifles across their chests as if they were on inspection of arms parade. As soon as you got near them though, the point jabbed out on you like a flath. One big fellow near them though, the point jabbed out going to fight at all and came up to him quite casual like. Then he went his bayonet and if I hadn't not jumped pretty spryly I would not be here. My chum got him before he could recover himself. I've never seen 'Boches' use the bayonet really well before."

"That was some scrap. It was bayonet, butt, and boot. There were quite a many of the Germans as of our boys. I saw the sense then of all the bayonet practice we used to grumble so much about during our 'rest'-pops. We needed it all. A prisoner told us afterwards that his crowd rather fancied themselves. But we got them all in spite of their good fighting. When they saw that our boys were every bit as good as themselves, and a little bit better, they broke their spirit completely, and what was left of them turned up I've ever seen. One minute a devil of a mill going on, the next minute 'Finnee,' as the French say."

"While the fight was going on the Germans turned their artillery on the lot of us. They did not seem to care whether they scrapped their own men as long as they got some of us. They continued the shelling, when it was all over, and the prisoners had to go through their own barrage in getting across to our lines. We consolidated under continuous fire. I got a shell splinter in the shoulder. Luckily it happened about night-fall, and I got pretty quickly to the dressing station."

FOUGHT LIKE GUARDMEN.

"My regiment is not an old regiment," said a wounded officer. "Our traditions do not stretch back beyond the South African War. We are just a Territorial English County which has grown in an old regular regiment associated with it. Yet in the attack from which I was sent home, they fought like Guardmen. God! how they fought. I thought I knew them, but I didn't really know all they had got in them. They were all plain English country lads, many of them in action for the first time; but I do not think the seasoned troops on either side of us were ashamed of their company. Our objective was the crest of a low ridge. It was the main German position, but they had been holding ground in front of it as well. We expected to find the first lines held lightly, if at all, and that our biggest effort would be required to take the ridge."

"Our bombardment had been very heavy, but when we went over, a perfect hurricane of machine-gun fire met us. Yet we got right up to the first German position in quite good order. I was awfully pleased by the steadiness of my chaps under that fire. Then the German barrage struck us. The whole battalion was out in the open, and we had to lie in shell holes, at first simply unable to move. Not only that. The Germans had been holding their front trenches, and the garrison was out in shell-holes also. As if the barrage was not enough for us they started lobbing bombs into our shell-holes. Things looked very nasty. We could not get any messages through to the various units of the attack. We were simply a crowd of men, on our own, scattered about in shell holes, with a hell of a bombardment going on. Well! The simple country lads settled the matter for themselves, and pulled the regiment through."

"Little groups of them, sometimes without an officer, sometimes even without an N.C.O., left their shell-holes and started bombing the Germans. Shell-hole after shell-hole was cleared out, bombers, riflemen, rifle-grenadiers, bayonetmen, working out the principle of attack as they had faithfully studied them for months before. The whole battalion moved forward, unit of two or three, until we collected within a few yards of the German positions. Then with a rush we were on them, and they were ours. We did not finish there. We bombed down on the machine-guns which were holding up the troops on either side of us, and they were able to get through to their objective also."

"A good many of our lads will never go back again to their English countryside. They have paid the price for the name which the regiment has to-day."

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THE GERMAN AS OTHERS SEE THEM.

OPEN LETTER TO HERR HARDEN.

Sir Isidore Spielmann has addressed an open letter to Herr Harden, editor of the *Zukunft*, one of the few sane men now in Germany, in the hope that the points which he puts forward may help "to wash from the eyes of his countrymen some of the dust which the Government has thrown into them."

After stating the well-known facts which disprove the fiction foisted upon the German people that the Allies are responsible for the war and forced it upon a peaceful Germany, he continues: "It is far from my intention, Herr Harden, merely to abuse your people, but have they ever considered why they are so despised? They should try to see themselves as others see them. They are generally hated because of their unbounded conceit; their unbounded conceit, and their brutal nature. Their cruelties in this war have seldom been surpassed by the most savage tribes, and have revived for the German people the ancient name of 'Huns'—which the Kaiser once claimed himself—a name that will stick to them for all time."

They have invented fighting with the assistance of poisoned gases and flame throwing—cruel and cowardly weapons.

They have poisoned wells, as did the savages of old.

They have dropped high explosives on civilians—men, women, and babies in open towns. They have declared open towns "fortresses," and treated them accordingly, merely because anti-aircraft guns have been set up for their protection.

They have deported men, women, and girls from Belgium and France and enslaved them, forcing them by starvation to work for their enemies.

They have sunk non-combatant ships, and left their crews to drown.

They have even sunk hospital ships under a variety of the most pretexts, and drowned defenceless wounded soldiers, Red Cross nurses, and doctors.

They have fired on crews struggling in the water.

They have fired needlessly ruined lands in their retreats.

They have treated prisoners of war with cowardly brutality.

Your Kaiser and your Government now frequently refer to your having "a world of enemies," but have your people ever asked themselves why this is so? Why, in addition to England, France, Russia, Belgium, and Serbia—the first to face you—should you now have arrayed against you the United States of America, Italy, Japan, Montenegro, Albania, Portugal, Roumania, Cuba, Panama, Greece, and Siam? And why have the further countries—China, Brazil, Bolivia, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Liberia, Haiti, and San Domingo—severed diplomatic relations with you?

And why does the whole world distrust you and suspect you? Why will no country trust your word again? Because you do not respect your solemn engagements when it suits your purpose to break them, and because you have brought your diplomacy to the lowest level of trickery and deceit as inculcated by Bismarck and his disciples.

Your endeavour to Prussianize the world has failed because your world-war has failed, thanks to the all-wise and all-merciful God, and the world will not be set back.

"If your people think that all will be forgotten and forgiven as far as they are concerned when the war is over, tell them they are grievously mistaken."

Until the German people—especially the Prussians—show themselves to be a checked people, understanding the difference between right and wrong and living up to it; until they understand that honour and truth, mercy and justice are virtues to be practised by Germans as well as by the other nations of the world, they will have to live henceforth as the most despised people on God's earth.

You know what it means to be able to say "you belong to the first or second battalions of an old line regiment. Everyone loves you, and wishes that they could be old regulars also. Well! They speak of us as the '1st-shires' now, not merely as the '—shire regiment,' as they used to do."

A SENSE OF HUMOUR.

"That fellow there hasn't got a sense of humour," said a wounded Yorkshireman, chuckling gleefully to himself, in spite of the fact that his right leg was amputated above the knee. He pointed to the retreating form of an R.A.M.C. stretcher-bearer. "He came up to me and says, 'Well, lad. Has brought over any souvenirs?' And I says, 'Yes mate. I've brought over the finest amputated leg that you ever saw.' And I'm blessed if he saw the joke."

"I got laid out in a raid," he continued. "A daylight raid at that. We got over to the German lines all right, while our guns barraged off the Beches to a treat. We got all that was left of them as prisoners, and the Engineer fellows with us knocked their dug-outs and emplacements silly. It's a little way we have now of stirring up the old Hun when there's nothing big doing."

"We were getting back to our trenches again before the German barrage got going. I stopped one shell all to myself. You see what it did. It did not hurt me half. And I did not lose my senses either. My rifle was smashed. Perhaps it was just as well. The Captain coming over, and howled out to him, 'He ran over to me, and when he saw what had happened, he whipped out a handkerchief and tied it round my leg. Then he passes a knob-kerry he was carrying through the loop, and twisted it round and round till the handkerchief felt like a red hot iron. I expect it stopped the bleeding and saved my life; but it was too much for me. When I woke up again I was in hospital.'"

Something About Graphs

Subtle Contrivances that Save
Time and Mental Energy

WHAT IS A GRAPH? Beginning with the first announcement of the forthcoming issue of this standard work on China we have referred constantly to the graphs, but there is reason to believe that the majority of readers have but a hazy idea of what graphs really are. What is a Graph? In the Century Dictionary, edition 1903, we find:—

Graph.—A diagrammatic representation of a system of connections by means of a number of spots, which may be all distinguished from one another, some pairs of these spots being connected by lines all of which are of one kind. In this way any system of relationship may be presented.

This definition of what is now a more or less common word was written 20 years ago at a time when the graph was in its infancy, unknown except in chemistry, geometry and algebra. As a method of conveying direct through the eye to the brain, an impression of the relative proportion of things, the graph is in common use to-day in all books where statistics are a part of the text.

The weather service charts are graphs; so are the nurse's temperature records hung on the patient's bedstead.

Figures that are Alive

We might describe graphs as "pictorial statistics" or "visible records," and as they are used in the *ATLAS AND GAZETTEER OF CHINA* they are the embodiment of the most recent methods in the presentation of information in a pleasing form instantly comprehensible. When Lafcadio Hearn came to Japan he wrote as his first impression of street life that the characters on "swinging shop-signs and buildings seemed as things alive, animated writing—so with graphs, they are living statistics; picture-presentations that seem alive."

A mass of statistical figures without accompanying Graphs entails on the reader a vast amount of mental labour spent in making his own comparisons and deductions. Statistics expressed in this modern pictorial form reduce mental effort to the minimum, the reader grasps what he sees as he would any other picture. He sees the whole story of China's trade as an attractive illustration, the eye receiving and retaining a vivid picture—a "pictorial record."

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What the Graphs Tell

Suppose we single out one item of the trade of China—the tea trade, for example, or piece goods, or metals, or any other from the list. To secure accurate knowledge in any particular line of research one must have at his disposal, first of all, a good up-to-date reference library. One must wade through many books to arrive at his conclusions, and in the end he will probably find he has but a confused idea of what he has been endeavouring to assimilate.

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